



Your Other Family

March 2016

Doing Better for Our Kids



Cleveland Christian Home has a rich and noble history. It all began with a Reverend who had a huge love for his community and several orphaned children with no other family to care for them. By the 1960's, fewer children were orphaned and Cleveland Christian Home began taking care of many children who had been the victims of abuse or neglect resulting in severe behavioral and emotional disturbances and mental health issues.

To better care for these children, CCH transformed its orphanage on Lorain Avenue into a residential treatment center for children in crisis, which it remains today.

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We're very sorry to hear the Labels for Education program will end next year. We have been accepting labels for more than 30 years. Together, we have supplied thousands of children the tools and items they needed to have a successful scholastic career. Thank you for always keeping our kids in mind. We couldn't have done it without you!

It will be a gradual process as the program comes to a close in July, 2017 so there is still time to get those labels collected and sent in to us!

Here are some important dates until the program ends:

***There will be no changes to the program until July 31, 2016.**

Beginning August 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 we can accept ONLY labels with the LFE Logo. (UPC labels & lids will no longer be accepted)



Become a C.A.R.E. Contributor

Your monthly gift helps us reduce fundraising costs and provides us with steady income to support our programs and services. It's convenient and automatic.

You choose the monthly amount and we do the rest!

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5K Run & Walk for the Kids! April 30, 2016 at Cleveland Metroparks Zoo

All participants receive a light breakfast, t-shirt, 3 Door Prize Tickets and all day admission to the zoo and Rainforest.

The morning will also include a casual Walk kick off for families and non-runners, and a family fair, complete with:

- * Lively music by Jared Plotts of Forest City Trivia
- * Door prizes
- * Free Shutterbooth photos
- * Crafts for the kids
- * Special guests and more!

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With each decade that passed the agency grew and evolved. We adapted our programs and services to fit the needs of those we serve. At each stage of CCH's transition it was necessary to raise extra funds, beyond daily living expenses and counseling and treatment costs to maintain the integrity of the walls that housed the children and staff. Those walls have been standing since the early 1900's and now justifiably need some renovation and tender loving care as well.

Our Home Improvement Fund is specifically used for the upkeep of the buildings that hundreds of children call "Home" each year. We're in the midst of replacing old and worn roofs, upgrading plumbing and electric and will begin the process to acquire generators to bring power and heat to the Residential Treatment Center in cases of emergency. Just last year we realized the absolute need to have this safety feature when the area lost power for nearly a full day on one of the coldest days of the winter. Our kids (and staff) were troopers, but we didn't like that they had no choice in the matter. We are here to give our kids comfort and the treatment they need to ease their burdens.

All of the projects that will be completed through the Home Improvement Fund will help us keep the continuity of care we provide for the children who rely on us. Their journey has been difficult enough. They deserve a safe and healthy environment in which to live so they can heal.

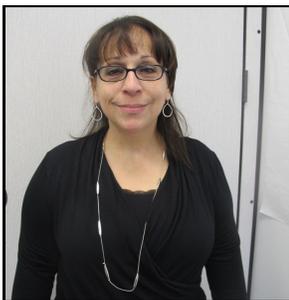


Please consider making a gift to the Home Improvement Fund. No gift is too small to make a difference. Together we will ensure that Cleveland Christian Home will provide the highest quality services to meet the physical, emotional, intellectual, cultural and spiritual needs of children, youth and families.

Mail checks payable to Cleveland Christian Home
Development Office, 1400 W. 25th St., 2nd Floor, Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Or make your online gift today at cchome.org

Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy



On February 12th & 15th, Cleveland Christian Home hosted a training for mental health professionals on "Trauma Focused CBT." **Trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy (TF-CBT)** is an advanced method of treatment provided to children who have significant emotional or behavioral difficulties related to traumatic life events, such as sexual abuse, exposure to domestic violence, or the death of a family member.

Kristine Buffington, MSW, LISW-S, a nationally recognized TF-CBT trainer, was the instructor for this 2-day event. The participants for this training included Master's Degree level professionals from seven community-based organizations, including five CCH therapists.

"I'm always so excited to present this training," stated Ms. Buffington, "because Trauma-Focused CBT really does help kids and families recover from trauma and the more people we can train, the more children we can help."

We thank Ms. Buffington for conducting this valuable training and congratulate all the participants for successfully completing this training.

